GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – PR&RD Department – Transfers effected without following prescribed procedure - Disciplinary proceedings against Sri A. Nageswara Rao, Deputy Director, Agriculture and the then Project Director, DWMA, Vizianagaram under Rule 20 of the A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.149 **Dated:31.03.2023**

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O R D E R :

It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri A. Nageswara Rao, Deputy Director, Agriculture and the then Project Director, DWMA, Vizianagaram as per departmental procedure laid down in Rule 20 of A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of article of charge (Annexure-I). A statement of the imputations of misconduct or mis-behaviour in support of article of charge is enclosed (Annexure-II). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure-III and IV).

3. Sri A. Nageswara Rao, Deputy Director, Agriculture and the then Project Director, DWMA, Vizianagaram is directed to submit his written statement of defense within (10) days from the date of receipt of this order.

4. Sri A. Nageswara Rao, Deputy Director, Agriculture and the then Project Director, DWMA, Vizianagaram is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri A. Nageswara Rao, Deputy Director, Agriculture and the then Project Director, DWMA, Vizianagaram is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in para 3 above or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 or the order/directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the Inquiry Authority may hold the inquiry against him exparte, based on the material available on record.

6. Sri A. Nageswara Rao, Deputy Director, Agriculture and the then Project Director, DWMA, Vizianagaram is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt with these proceedings it will be presumed Sri A. Nageswara Rao, Deputy Director, Agriculture and the then Project Director, DWMA, Vizianagaram is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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7. The receipt of this orders shall be acknowledge along with Annexure-I, II, III & IV forthwith.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri A. Nageswara Rao, Deputy Director, Agriculture and the then Project Director, DWMA, Vizianagaram through the CRD, A.P.
The Commissioner, RD, A.P., Tadepalli. Guntur District.
(With a request to serve the order on the Charged Officer and furnish acknowledgment with dated signature for record).

//FORWARDED:: BY ORDER//

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(PTO for Annexures)

ANNEXURE – I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI A. NAGESWARA RAO, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, AGRICULTURE AND THE THEN PROJECT DIRECTOR, DWMA, VIZIANAGARAM

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Article of Charge:

That the said Sri A. Nageswara Rao, Deputy Director, Agriculture while working as Project Director, DWMA, Vizianagaram has usurp the power of higher authorities and effected transfers / temporary deployment / temporary transfer of Fixed Tenure Employees during the year 2019 in violation of instructions issued vide Circular No.021 /SRDS/HRSM/Transfer guidelines/2014, Dt.07.02.2015 by the Commissioner, RD, A.P., and other instructions on transfers.

Thus Sri A. Nageswara Rao, Deputy Director, Agriculture and the then Project Director, DWMA, Vizianagaram by his above mentioned acts, has exhibited lack of integrity, has not shown devotion to duty and exhibited conduct which is unbecoming on part of a Govt. Servant, in contravention of Rule – 3 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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ANNEXURE –II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI A. NAGESWARA RAO, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, AGRICULTURE AND THE THEN PROJECT DIRECTOR, DWMA, VIZIANAGARAM

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Consequent on receipt of allegations that Sri A. Nageswara Rao, Deputy Director, Agriculture while working as Project Director, DWMA, Vizianagaram has collected huge bribes in the transfers and reinstatement of Fixed Tenure Employees, the Joint collector (Asara & Welfare), Vizianagaram has conducted enquiry.

The Joint collector (Asara & Welfare), Vizinagaram in the enquiry report vide RC No. 959/2020/A7, dt:30.5.2020 after calling for certain Fixed Tenure Employees (FTEs) and taking statements from them had concluded, inter alia, that though the Project Director, DWMA is competent for transfer of FTEs, he has not got the approval of Counseling Committee chaired by the District Collector as per guidelines communicated by the Commissioner, PR&RD (S.R.D.Services) vide circular No.021 / SRDS/ HRSM/ Transfer guidelines/2014, Dt.07.02.2015.

It is mentioned in certain transfer proceedings of FTEs, it is temporary deployment / temporary transfers which is nowhere exists.

Thus, Sri A. Nageswara Rao, Deputy Director, Agriculture and the then Project Director, DWMA, Vizianagaram has usurp the powers with conspiracy and effected the transfers / temporary deployment / temporary transfers of FTEs during the year 2019 without following the instructions on the subject.

Hence, the charge.

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ANNEXURE – III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI A. NAGESWARA RAO, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, AGRICULTURE AND THE THEN PROJECT DIRECTOR, DWMA, VIZIANAGARAM ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

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1) Letter.No. PRR01-RD/28/2020-RD-III Dt.26/02/2020 of Commissioner, RD, A.P Tadepalli.
2) Enquiry Report of Joint Collector (Asara & Welfare), Vizianagaram, RC No. 959/2020/A7, dt:30.5.2020.

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ANNEXURE – IV

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM THE ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI A. NAGESWARA RAO, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, AGRICULTURE AND THE THEN PROJECT DIRECTOR, DWMA, VIZIANAGARAM ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

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All the FTEs who were transferred by Sri A. Nageswara Rao, Deputy Director, Agriculture and the then Project Director, DWMA, Vizianagaram during the year 2019.

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